REMARKS

Claims 3-5 and 8-15 remain in the application for consideration of the Examiner with Claims 1, 2, 6, 7, and 16 standing cancelled.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and objections are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and following remarks.

The drawings were objected under 37 CFR 1.83.

The "stop" is shown as element 20.

By the instant amendment and separate letter, a proposed drawing correction has been submitted and the specification has been amended to take into consideration the concerns of the Examiner.

Claims 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 11, 15, and 16 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Mazda; and Claim 14 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being unpatentable over Mazda in view Applicants alleged admitted prior art.

The cancellation of Claims 1, 2, 6, 7, and 16 and the amendment of the remaining claims to depend from an allowable claim obviate the rejection of these claims.

Applicants appreciate the indication the if Claims 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, and 13 were rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, that these claims would be allowable.

By the instant amendment, Claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 12, and 13 have been placed in independent form and they include the limitations of any base claim and any intervening claims except Claim 9 which includes the limitation of Claim 7 only.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

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